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## **VIA AIR COURIER**

January 4, 1996

Ms. Mildred Lee Recordations Unit Interstate Commerce Commission 12th and Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20423

Dear Ms. Lee:

Enclosed are two (2) originals of the Memorandum of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of November 22, 1995 between the following parties:

Lessor:

Helm Financial Corporation

One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700

San Francisco, CA 94111

Lessee:

Southern Pacific Transportation Company

1515 Arapahoe Street, Suite 1311

Denver, CO 80202

The equipment involved in this transaction is as follows:

Equipment:

Three hundred (300), 4000 foot square, 100-ton, 3-pocket covered

hopper railcars (See Exhibit A attached for reporting mark &

numbers.)

Please file this agreement as a primary document. The filing fee of \$21.00 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Chris Dilley

Administrative Assistant

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Enclosure

## MEMORANDUM OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT

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THIS MEMORANDUM OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT made as of November 22, 1995 is intended to evidence Schedule No. 4 dated as of November 22, 1995 ("Schedule") to the Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of September 1, 1994 (the "Lease") between HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California coporation, as assignee of HM Joint Venture (the "Lessor"), and SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, a Delaware corporation (the "Lessee"), for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of recordation with the Interstate Commerce Commission under Section 49 of U.S.C. 11303. The Lessor has the right to lease the railcars more fully described in Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Units"). Lessee leased from Lessor all the Units at the rentals and upon the terms and conditions provided in the Lease and Schedule.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee, each pursuant to due corporate authority, have executed this Memorandum of Lease of Railroad Equipment on the date indicated below its signature.

LESSOR

LESSEE

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) ) S.S.
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO)
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personally appeared Richard C. Kirchner, President of <b>HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION</b> ,
personally known to me -OR-
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.
Witness my hand and official seal.  EMMA SUSAN ORTEGA COMM. #1057929 Notary Public — California SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY My Comm. Expires JUN 16,1999  Witness my hand and official seal.
SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY
on December 14, 1995, before me, Sandra L. Necly
of southern pacific transportation company,
personally known to me -OR-
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.
Witness my hand and official seal.

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SIGNATURE OF THE NOTARY

## EXHIBIT A

To Memorandum of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of November 22, 1995 between Helm Financial Corporation and Southern Pacific Transportation Company.

## Equipment Description:

Three hundred (300), 4000 foot square, 100-ton, 3-pocket covered hopper railcars, built by Magor 1966-67.

Unit Reporting Mark and Numbers: HLMX 4500-4799